

territories and the old duchy of
 Spoleto, Their
 raids carried fire and sword as far
 north as Sora
 and Arce, and west to Ceprano and
 the Papal
 border.

Innocent, like Gregory VII, saw not
 only his
 own territories in danger, but the
 insatiable Nor-
 mans renewing the exploits of eighty
 years before,
 and spreading far up the east coast, To
 the Pope's
 indignant protest, Roger would only
 reply, "we
 are making no attacks on the lands of
 others but
 only on what belongs to us of right, "*
 In June,
 he sought an interview at Benevento,
 The Pope
 refused; moreover he was filled with
 anger because
 Roger's bishop's, consecrated by
 Anacletus, still
 held their offices; Roger also claimed
 and exercised
 the appointing of bishops, a high
 presumption and
 a scandal to all Cluniacs, Again the
 situation
 was a deadlock; to the Pope's demand
 that royal
 investiture should cease, Roger
 replied, "This
 custom has been since the time of the
 Dukes
 Guiscard, Roger, and William and we
 will in no
 way surrender it, "a

So kingly a bearing became a man
 who had no
 sooner conquered than he began to
 reorganise
 and restore. "The land," says the
 historian,
 "grew silent in his sight"; but the

disappearance
of every foe was followed also by the
disappearance

'Falco, 1140, The answer of Rogw'i iocs to
the **Ptptl**
protest was that the Marslai belonged of right to
the duchy of
Capua,

³ Falco, 1142; *CHron, Ferrar, op_t «#.*, p, a?.